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MODIFIED MAMMAL LACKING )  
THE ALPHA-FETOPROTEIN )  
Examiner : Unknown )

PETITION TO ACCEPT COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS AS PART OF A UTILITY PATENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.84(b)(2)

United States Patent and Trademark Office  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submits the formal drawings for the above-captioned application. Also submitted is this written petition to accept color photographs as part of the application in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.84(b)(2). As additionally required by 37 CFR 1.84 (a)(2), included with this petition are: (1) the fee of \$130 as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h); (2) color drawings in triplicate; and (3) an amendment to insert the required language as the first paragraph of the brief description of the drawings. Pursuant to MPEP 608.02, Applicant has not provided a black and white photocopy of the color drawings;

Applicant believes that color photographs are necessary as the only practical medium by which to disclose the subject matter sought to be patented in the accompanying utility patent application because these figures depict the results of various histological analyses. The color photographs most accurately disclose these

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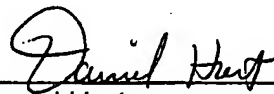
features. In particular, they show the minute (indicated by arrows) and localized staining of the embryonic tissues, the contrast in the adult tissues, and the histological analyses and topographical variations within ovaries from *afplacZ1/lacZ1* females. Because of the way these images were photographed, the necessary contrast provided by the colored photographs is the only practical medium to disclose the subject matter of the present invention.

For all of the above reasons, applicant respectfully requests that this petition be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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